

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>3 Nov 59</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Over Utica N.Y.</u>	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>03/2355Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE <u>Military</u>	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>10 to 15 mins</u>	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>one</u>	9. COURSE <u>not given</u>
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Rnd, yellow-white obj, size of pinhead at arm's length. Looked like spotlight. Disappeared suddenly, then reappeared much dimmer. Experienced pilots thought obj stationary until they attempted to close in & obj sped rapidly away.		11. COMMENTS The possibility exists that the obj was a balloon. However, the direction of movement was not reported, thereby precluding a valid conclusion.

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ACTION: CIN

INFO : OOP, SAFS

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PP RJEZ HQ

DE RJEZ GF 294A

P 052031Z ZEX

FM 2856AB WG GRIFFISS AFB NY

TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB

RJEZ SN/25TH AD SYRACUSE AFS

RJEDSQ/ATIC WPAFB

RJEZ HQ/ HQ USAF

RJEZ HQ/ SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

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UNCLAS FM ROBB-11-8-E ATTN AFCIN SAFIS UFO IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2

PAR 15 /A/ /1/ ROUND /2/ PINHEAD AT ARMS LENGTH /3/ YELLOW-WHITE /4/
ONE ONLY /5/ NONE /6/ LOOKED LIKE SPOTLIGHT /7/ NONE /8/ NO SOUND /9/
NONE. PAR 15 /B/ /1/ BRIGHTNESS/2/ LEVEL AT 10 O'CLOCK /3/ LEVEL AT 11
O'CLOCK /4/ STATIONARY MOVED AWAY AS OBSERVERS APPROACHED /5/ DISAPPEAR-
ED SUDDENLY. REAPPEARED MUCH DIMMER, THEN DISAPPEARED /6/ 10 TO 15
MINUTES. PAR 15C /1/ AIR VISUAL /2/ NAKED EYE /3/ T-33, NUMBER 35400,
30,000 FEET, 113 DEGREES MAGNETIC, 245 KNOTS INDICATED, GRIFFISS AFB.
PAR 15D /1/ 2355Z 3 NOV 59 /2/ NIGHT. PAR 15E OVER UTICA NY.
PAR 15 F /1/ NOT APPLICABLE /2/ MILITARY PAUL E SKINNER, CAPT, AFROTC

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DET 550, RENSSELEAR POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE TROY NY DOUGLAS L MILLER,
1ST LT 4039TH STRAT WING, GAFB PAR 15 G / 1/, VFR ON TOP OF SOLID
OVERCAST, BRIGHT MOON /2/ WIND DIRECTION 160 DEGREES SSE, VELOCITY 4
KNOTS AT SURFACE /3/ 5000 OVERCAST /4/ 15 MILES PLUS /5/ CLOUD COVER 10
TENTHS /6/ NO THUNDERSTORMS /7/ 44 DEGREES. PAR 15 H NONE NORMAL WEA-
THER. PAR 15 I ACCOMPLISHED ABOUT 200 DEGREE ARC AROUND OBJECT. ATTEMPTED
TO CLOSE IN BUT OBJECT DISAPPEARED. REAPPEARED MOMENTS LATER AND SPED
RAPIDLY AWAY AND LOST TO VIEW. PAR 15 J NONE IN AREA. PAR 15 K CHIEF
SECURITY SERVICES DIV DIRECTORATE OF SECURITY. PAR 15 L NO
PHYSICAL EVIDENCE. PAR 17 SIGHTINGS REPORTED BY EXPERIENCED PILOTS WHO
THOUGHT OBJECT STATIONARY PERHAPS A WEATHER BALLOON UNTIL RAPID MOVEMENT
ON ATTEMPT TO CLOS IN. FROM REPORT OF OBSERVERS AND DATA AVAILABLE
IDENTIFICATION OF OBJECT NOT POSSIBLE. NO OTHER SIGHTINGS OF OBJECT
REPORTED. SIGNED SECURITY OFFICER

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